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Mr. Hughes (for himself and Mr. Moorhead) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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Additional sponsors: Mr. Darden, Mr. Spratt, Mr. Blute, and Mr. Valentine

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- 2 This Act may be cited as the "Civil Rules Amend-
- 3 ments Act of 1993".
- 4 SEC. 2. MODIFICATION OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS.
- 5 The proposed amendments to the Federal Rules of
- 6 Civil Procedure which are embraced by an order entered
- 7 by the Supreme Court of the United States on April 22,
- 8 1993, shall take effect on December 1, 1993, as otherwise
- 9 provided by law, but with the following amendments:
- 10 (1) RULE 26.—
- 11 (A) IN GENERAL.—Proposed rule 26(a) is
- amended so that paragraph (1) reads as
- follows:
- 14 "(1) Insurance agreements.—A party may
- obtain discovery of the existence and contents of any
- insurance agreement under which any person carry-
- ing on an insurance business may be liable to satisfy
- part or all of a judgment which may be entered in
- the action or to indemnify or reimburse for pay-
- 20 ments made to satisfy the judgment. Information
- concerning the insurance agreement is not by reason
- of disclosure admissible in evidence at trial. For pur-
- poses of this paragraph, an application for insurance
- shall not be treated as part of an insurance
- agreement.".

- 1 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—(A) Proposed 2 rule 26(a)(2) is amended by striking "In addition to 3 the disclosures required by paragraph (1), a" and 4 inserting "A".
 - (B) Proposed rule 26(a)(3) is amended by striking "the preceding paragraphs" and inserting "paragraph (2)".
 - (C) Proposed rule 26(a)(4) is amended by striking "(1) through" and inserting "(2) and".
 - (D) Proposed rule 26(f) is amended by striking "to make or arrange for the disclosures required by subdivision (a)(1),".
 - (E) Proposed rule 26(g)(1) is amended by striking "subdivision (a)(1) or".

(3) RULE 30.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Proposed rule 30(b)(2) is amended by striking "Unless the court orders otherwise, it may be recorded by sound, sound-and-visual, or stenographic means, and the" and inserting "Unless the court upon motion orders, or the parties agree in writing to use, sound or sound-and-visual means, the deposition shall be recorded by stenographic means. The".

1	(B) Conforming Amendment.—Proposed
2	rule 30(b) is amended by striking paragraph
3	(3).
4	(4) FORM 35.—Proposed form 35 is amended—
5	(A) by striking paragraph (2); and
6	(B) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and
7	(4) as paragraphs (2) and (3).